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SITUATION REPORT

POLAND

The Solidarity chapter in Radom has won one of its key demands--the resignation of several local officials, including the provincial party first secretary--but still plans to stage a warning strike on Wednesday if the government does not begin negotiations on its other grievances. [REDACTED]

A Warsaw television program said yesterday a government delegation is scheduled to arrive in Radom today, as is Solidarity leader Walesa. [REDACTED]

The dismissal of party and government officials in response to a strike threat seems likely to place the Kania regime under new pressure. The action will not sit well with the Soviets and Kania's hardline critics, who have been urging him to resist political demands raised by Solidarity chapters. Party liberals also may use the incident to press for more rapid replacement of discredited party and government officials. [REDACTED]

A major Warsaw daily on Saturday blamed the party leadership's slow response to events for allowing the trade unions to become politicized and for failing to satisfy the demands of the party rank and file with regard to internal party reform. [REDACTED]

Military Situation

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